

REMARKS

In the Office Action mailed March 13, 2009, the Office noted that claims 15-28 were pending and rejected claims 15-28. Claims 15, 16, 19-22, 25 and 26 have been amended, claims 17, 18, 23, 24, 27 and 28 have been canceled, and, thus, in view of the foregoing, claims 15, 16, 19-22, 25 and 26 remain pending for reconsideration which is requested. No new matter has been added. The Office's rejections and objections are traversed below.

AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS

The Applicants have amended the claims. Support for the amendment may be found, for example, in ¶¶ 0091-0100 of the printed publication version of the Specification. The Applicants submit that no new matter is believed to have been added by the amendment of the claims.

DOUBLE PATENTING

Claims 15-28 are provisionally rejected on grounds of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,985,411. The Applicants respectfully disagree and traverse the provisional rejection.

U.S. Patent No. 6,985,411 B2 does not disclose the novel features of the claims of the present application such that (i) the information recording medium comprises the object

information file, (ii) the play list information defines a reproduction sequence by a unit of item, (iii) the object information includes information for indicating address of the packet of the object data corresponding to the item, and (iv) the packet includes time information for indicating a reproduction process time. Moreover, since the claims of U.S. Patent No. 6,985,411 B2 do not suggest or teach the above novel features (i) to (iv) of the claims of the present application, the above novel features (i) to (iv) cannot be obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art.

Withdrawal of the provisional rejection is respectfully requested.

REJECTIONS under 35 U.S.C. § 101

Claim 28 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 101 as being directed to non-statutory subject matter. The Applicants have cancelled claim 28.

Withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

SUMMARY

It is submitted that the claims satisfy the requirements of 35 U.S.C. § 101. It is also submitted that claims 15, 16, 19-22, 25 and 26 continue to be allowable. It is further submitted that the claims are not taught, disclosed or suggested by the prior art. The claims are therefore in a

condition suitable for allowance. An early Notice of Allowance is requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 25-0120 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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